

(c) the details of financial assistance and other facilities provided to Karnataka to reduce the infant mortality rate?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) As per the Sample Registration System, the Infant Mortality Rate in Karnataka during 1999 was estimated to be 58 per 1000 live births.

(b) Under the Reproductive and Child Health Programme, interventions for reducing infant mortality are under implementation. These include immunization against six vaccine preventable diseases, facilities for appropriate management of acute respiratory infection and diarrhoeal diseases and provision of essential newborn care. Promotion of exclusive breastfeeding and appropriate complementary feeding and prophylaxis against vitamin-A deficiency and iron deficiency is also being implemented for improving the nutritional status of children.

(c) The year-wise details of assistance to Karnataka which include assistance for child health related interventions under the Reproductive and Child Health Programme are given in the table below:

Year	(Rs. in Lakhs)		
	Cash	Kind	Total
1997-1998	751.42	1076.31	1827.73
1998-1999	383.11	1749.07	2132.18
1999-2000	489.17	1587.55	2076.72
2000-2001*	1642.66	2077.7	3720.36

\*Provisional

**Financial assistance to NER by WHO and other international financial institutions**

\*217. SHRI ONWARD L. NONGTUDU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the details of financial assistance received from WHO and other international financial institutions for various health programmes in North-Eastern Region during the last three years, year-wise/State-wise/district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. P. THAKUR): Figures are being collected from the concerned Departments and States of North East Region and will be laid on the Table of the House.